

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Black Issues Convention was founded six years ago by Donald Tucker, Jerry Harris, Margaret Hayes, Reverend Edward Allen, Kathy Spivey, Kelly Ganges, Evelyn Field, Leslie Summiel, Mel Gary, **Philip Thomas**, Larrie Stalks, Reverend Willie Simmons, Blanche Harris, Roy Epps, Maxine Daniels, Jerry Eure, and Edna Thomas; AND

WHEREAS, these individuals served as founding incorporators, officers, county coordinators, and committee chairpersons; AND

WHEREAS, the Black Issues Convention mobilizes hundreds of New Jersey Afro-Americans through its numerous supporting organizations; AND

WHEREAS, the Black Issues Convention provides a structure and forum for resolving social and economic problems confronting the Afro-American community; AND

WHEREAS, the Black Issues Convention realizes that systemic change can not occur without political involvement; AND

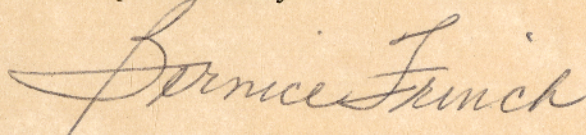
WHEREAS, the Black Issues Convention is committed to strengthening the black community through the implementation of the Black Leadership Family Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New Jersey Council of Black Social Workers presents the Founders of the Black Issues Convention our State Award; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the New Jersey Council of Black Social Workers wishes the Black Issues Convention and its Founders continued success.

DATE: June 26, 1988

presented by

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bernice French". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the text "presented by".